

Attachment A

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting Objectives: Obtain Stakeholder input on issues, options and directions affecting the future of national drinking water and source water information systems supporting the protection of public health.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

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| 8:30 – 9:00 | Coffee, registration |
| 9:00 – 9:30 | <u>Welcome, Introductions</u>
<i>Lee Langstaff, Facilitator</i> |
| 9:30 – 9:50 | <u>Opening Remarks</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Cynthia Dougherty, Director</i>
<i>Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water (OGWDW)</i>• Context and Purpose of Meeting - <i>Bill Diamond, Director,</i>
<i>Drinking Water Protection Division (DWPD)</i> |
| 9:50 – 10:00 | <u>Review Agenda and Participation Guidelines</u>
<i>Lee Langstaff</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | <u>Status Report & Overview of Existing Information Systems Supporting OGWDW</u>
<i>Jeff Bryan and Systems Managers – EPA/OGWDW</i> |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | BREAK |
| 10:30 – 11:15 | <u>Processes Affecting Information Systems Supporting OGWDW</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview - <i>Chuck Job</i>• Office of Water Information Strategic Plan - <i>Andrew Battin,</i>
<i>Office of Water (OW)</i>• Office of Environmental Information – <i>OEI Representative, Invited</i> |

- 11:15 – 12:15 Discussion Session I: Defining Data Needs and Uses
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question
- a) How will OGWDW ensure that it has the data it needs to implement its programs, address data gaps and coordinate with other EPA programs?
 - PWS supervision (PWSS) program implementation and coordination (*Abe Siegel*)
 - Source water & underground injection control (UIC) data gaps (*Roy Simon*)
 - c) What essential information does the primary agency need in order to ensure safe drinking water is being provided? (*Abe Siegel*)
- 12:15 – 1:15 LUNCH
- 1:15 – 3:15 Defining Data Needs and Uses (cont'd)
- d) What parametric and ancillary data should be reported to make them of greatest use? (*Larry Weiner*)
 - e) What data does EPA need to judge and evaluate the success of its programs? (*Fran Haertel*)
 - f) How should EPA foster improved processes for identification and confirmation of data requested of primacy agencies? (*Ed Cottrill*)
 - g) Are there other priority data uses EPA should consider? (*Roger Anzzolin*)
- 3:15 – 3:30 BREAK
- 3:30 – 4:45 Discussion Session II: Reporting
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question
- a) What changes are necessary to ensure we obtain correct data, while minimizing reporting burden for existing and upcoming rules? (*Clint Lemmons*)
 - b) How should EPA obtain parametric drinking water data to address future information requirements? (*Larry Weiner*)
 - c) What improvements to SDWIS should EPA make to allow for easier data entry by states? (*Fran Haertel*)
- 4:45 – 5:00 Summarize and Wrap Up for the Day

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

- 8:30 – 8:45 Opening Remarks and Review Agenda for the Day
- 8:45 – 10:00 Discussion Session III: Improving System Performance
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question
- a) How can EPA improve the performance of its information systems, given that any improvements would require states to make near-term adjustments to

achieve long-term reporting benefits? (*Abe Siegel*)

10:00 – 10:15 BREAK

10:15 – 11:15 Discussion Session IV: Improving Data Quality
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question

- a) What steps should EPA take to improve data quality? (*Fran Haertel*)
- b) What EPA standards must OGWDW address in its information systems? (*Fran Haertel*)

11:15 – 12:15 Discussion Session V: Data Access and Utilization
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question

- a) How should EPA improve retrieval and dissemination of data contained in SDWIS/FED? (*Lee Kyle*)
- b) How should public access to drinking water data be improved? (*Lee Kyle*)
- c) What does OGWDW need to do to ensure accessibility of electronic information and computer systems for people with disabilities, in compliance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1998? (*Ed Cottrill*)

12:15 – 1:15 LUNCH

1:15 – 2:45 Discussion Session VI: System Economics
Brief Orientation Presentation for Each Question

- a) What steps should EPA take to make OGWDW information systems more economically efficient? (*Jeff Bryan*)

2:45 – 3:00 BREAK

3:00 – 4:00 Discussion Session VII: Consideration of Alternate Visions of Future Information Management
Chuck Job

- a) Single Shared Electronic Space
- b) Post and Exchange
- c) Specified SDWIS-STATE Format
- d) Status Quo Using SDWIS-FED

4:00 – 4:45 Identification of Outstanding Issues
Lee Langstaff

4:45 – 5:00 Next Steps and Wrap-up
Lee Langstaff

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